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**DLNR TO CLOSE PU‘U ‘UALAKA‘A AND WA‘AHILA PARKS
EARLY ON NEW YEAR’S EVE**

HONOLULU — The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) will close the entrance gate to Pu‘u ‘Ualaka‘a State Park (Round Top) and Wa‘ahila Ridge State Recreation Area (St. Louis Heights), early, at 4 p.m. on Thursday, December 31, 2009 (New Year’s Eve).

“We are closing the park early to discourage use of fireworks, which is prohibited in state parks, and to protect the public and natural resources of the area,” said DLNR chairperson Laura H. Thielen.

The park will resume normal hours on Friday January 1, 2010, opening at 7 a.m. and closing at 6:45 p.m.

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